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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Amanda Johanne KILIAAN et al.

Appl. No.: NEW Group:

Filed: March 29, 2002 Examiner:

For: NUTRITIONAL COMPOSITIONS WHICH CONTAIN
NON-DIGESTIBLE POLYSACCHARIDES AND USE
THEREOF TO REDUCE TRANSPORT THROUGH TIGHT
JUNCTIONS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

March 29, 2002

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

3. (amended) Use according to claim 1, wherein the polysaccharides are contained in the composition in an amount such that the concentration of these polysaccharides in the